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- 1. SUMMARY: GENERAL DEBATE CONTINUED JULY 10
 AFTERNOON WITH STATEMENTS MADE BY ILO JENKS,
 USSR, JAPAN, YGOSLAVIA, TUNISIA. UGANDA MADE
 REPLY TO UK JULY 6 STATEMENT AND AMBASSADOR SANTA
 CRUZ SUGGESTED THAT PLENARY DEBATE SUBJECT OF
 ECOSOC REFORM AND REVITALIZATION. NO ACTION
 REQUIRED. END SUMMARY.
- 2. JENKS SPEECH ENTITLED "THIS EXPLOSIVE PARADOX" DESCRIBED SITUATION OF POVERTY AMID INCREASING ABILITY AND WILL TO COPE WITH POVERTY. HE UNDERLINED NEED OF MORE EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING, AND INCOME DISTRIBUTION. PROGRAMS HE SAIDMUST ENLIST UNCLASSIFIED

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SUPPORT AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF EMPLOYERS,

WORKERS AND GOVERNMENTS. HE OUTLINED ILO PROGRAM BY REFERRING TO TWO REPORTS. PUBLISHED TOGETHER UNDER TITLE EMPLOYMENT POLICY IN DDII, AND TO DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE RECENT INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE. HE REPORTED THAT ILO'S PREOCCUPATION WITH MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND THEIR EFFECT ON SOCIAL POLICY WOULD CONTINUE INTO THE FUTURE SINCE GOVERNING BODY HAD APPROVED A PROGRAM OF STUDIES ON MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND IMPLICATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT, SKILL DEVELOPMENT, TRAINING PERSONNEL DEVELOPMENT ANC COLLECTIVE BARGAINING. FOLLOWING STRONG STAND ON EFFICACY AND IMPORTANCE OF TRI-PARTITE APPROACH TO INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION PROBLEMS, JENKS ENDORSED FRAZAO'S STATMENT ON NEGOTIATIONS OF CONSENSUS DECISIONS IN ECOSOC AND SAID HE BELIEVED THIS APPROACH PREFERABLE TO RENEGOTIATION OF UN-SA AGREEMENTS. HE OFFERED FULL ILO SUPPORT TO ECOSOC IN ITS ENDEAVOR COORDINATE UN ACTIVITIES.

3. AMBASSADOR NESTERENKO SAID THAT PROCESS OF IMPROVEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL SITUATION IS TAKING PLACE IN PRACTICALLY ALL DIRECTIONS. SPECIFICALLY HE MENTIONED IMPROVEMENTS FLOWING FROM END OF VIETNAM WAR, THE CESC, MEASURES TO STEM ARMS RACE, AND NORMALIZATION OF BILATERAL RELATIONS BETWEEN STATES. NESTERENKO MADE REFERENCES TO BREZHNEV-POMPIDOU MEETING, BRZHNEV-BRANT AND BREZHNEV-NIXON MEETING. NESTERENKO SAID THE USSR-US RELATIONS ARE BECOMING MORE STABLE AND THAT THIS STABILITY HAS BEEN BUTTRESSED BY RECENT AGREEMENTS ON "BASES FOR RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN USSR AND USA", TRADE, HEALTH, ETC. HE CITED AGREEMENT ON PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR AS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT RESULT OF US-USSR NEGOTIATIONS. HE SAID US-USSR AGREEMENTS PROMISE SUBSTANTIVE BENEFITS TO ALL MANKIND, AND REFERRED TO BREHNEV'S APPEARANCE ON U.S. TELEVISION AND HIS REMARK THAT SUPERPOWERS HAVE SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES, NOT SPECIAL PRIVILEGES IN QUESTIONS OF UNIVERSAL PEACE AND PREVENTION OF WAR. UNCLASSIFIED

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US-USSR IMPROVED RELATIONS HAVE AFFECT OF EXPANDING THE SPHERE OF DETENTE FOR ALL NATIONS.

4. THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR SAID THESE DEVELOPMENTS IMPROVING THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION SHOULD BE IRREVERSABLE IN CHARACTER AND SHOULD BE EXPANDED TO OUTSTANDING DISPUTES SUCH AS THAT OF ME.. HE SAID PROGRESS REALIZED SO FAR SHOULD OPEN NEW CHAPTER IN

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ENVOLVING THE EFFECTIVE SAFEGUARDING OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SECURITY OF PEOPLES. LINKING POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS, NESTERENKO NOTED THAT "IT IS DIFFICULT TO IMAGINE SUCH A SITUATION IN THE WORLD WHEN THE ECONOMIC INTERESTS OF PEOPLES WERE SAFELY PROTECTED WHILE THEIR POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE WAS ENDANGERED". IN THIS CONTEXT HE REFERRED TO CONCEPT OF COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY AND NOTED THAT THE SOVIET POSITION AT THE CESC HAD CONTRIBUTED TO COLLECTIVE SECURITY.

- 5. HE DESCRIBED COUNCIL OF MUTUAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AS MODEL EXAMPLE OF MULTILATERAL COOPERATION IN ECONOMIC AREA, AND THEN TURNED TO USSR'S EFFORTS TO ASSIST LDC'S AND BRIEF COMMENTS ON THE STATE OF THE USSR ECONOMY.
- 6. RETURNING TO THEME OF FAVORABLE CHANGES IN INTERNATIONAL SITUATION, NESTERENKO SAID THAT THIS DEVELOPMENT CREATES THE NECESSARY PREREQUISITES FOR DEVELOPMENT, WITHIN SCOPE OF UN, OF COMREHENSIVE COOPERATION. MULTILATERAL RELATIONS SHOULD COMPLEMENT AND ENRICH BILATERAL RELATIONS IN TRADE, ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND SOCIAL FIELDS. TURNING TO ECOSOC, HE SAID THE COUNCIL SHOULD ADDRESS ITSELF TO CONTINUING PROBLEMS AND THEIR EFFECT ON LDC'S. THESE PROBLEMS ARE: EXPLOITATION OF RESOURCES OF LDC'S, MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS, ADVERSE EFFECTS OF THE INSUPERABLE MONETARY PROBLEM. HE SAID THE ACTIVITIES OF MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS ENDANGER NATONAL SOVEREIGNTY, UNDERMINE NATIONAL UNCLASSIFIED

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- 7. AS REGARDS ECOSOC, HE SAID IT IS NOT NOW IN POSITION TO TAK ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITIES PRESENTED BY CHANGED INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE SINCE ITS STRUCTURE IS COMPLICATED, ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES DUPLICATE WORK AND "RUN IDLE", CREATING THE "ILLUSION OF ACTIVITY". THE COUNCIL MUST REACT TO THE NEW SITUATION, GIVE UP OLD WORK METHODS AND CONCENTRATE ITS EFFORTS ON MAIN SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC THEMES. HE SAID USSR WILL STRONGLY SUPPORT CHANGES IN ECOSOC STRUCTURE TO ENABLE IT TO FUNCTION AND CONTRIBUTE PROPERLY TO THE TRANSFORMATION OF ECONOMIC RELATIONS.
- 8. AMBASSADOR NAKAGAWA'S LONG STATEMENT CONTAINED NO NEW INFORMATION OR INITATIVES NOT ALREADY EXPLAINED IN DETAIL IN THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL COMMITTEE OR IN THE JOINT ACC/CPC MEETING. HE ADDRESSED HIMSELF AT LENGTH TO SURVEY OF GLOBAL ECONOMY, UNCLASSIFIED

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MENTIONING ESPECIALLY PROBLEMS OF INFLATION, ENERGY, MONETARY SITUATION, THE UNIFIED APPROACH, AND FOREIGN TRADE. ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL, HE REPEATED JAPAN'S SUPPORT FOR MEETING OF THE COMMETTEE IN 1974, BEMOANED THE SHORT FALLS IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR AND ASKED THAT R/A EXERCISE LOOK INTO REMEDIAL MEASURES IN THAT SECTOR. HIS STAEMENT ENDED WITH REVIEW OF GOJ'S ASSISTANCE TO LDC'S, NOTING THAT TOTAL

FLOW OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO LDC'S IN 1972 AMOUNTED TO \$2.7 BILLION, AN INCREASE OF 27 PCT OVER 1971 AND .93 PCT OF GNP.

- 9. MARKOVIC (ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOREIGN AFFAIRS, YOGOSLAVIA) FOCUSED ON IDS AND R/A EXERCISE, BUT ALSO MENTIONED UNDP'S CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND, THE CESC IN FAVORABLE TERMS. SPEECH CONTAINED NOTHING NEW.
- 10. AMBASSADOR DRIESS (TUNISIA) DELIVERED
 HIMSELF OF A TOUR D'HORIZON ENCOVPASSING GLOBAL
 AND NATIONAL ECONOMIC SITUATION WITH LEBERAL
 SUPPORTIVE QUOTES FROM SPEECHES OF SYG WALDHEIM,
 FRAZAO, AND SCHWEITZER. HE SPOKE IN FAVOR
 OF THE SDR LINK, LIBERALIZED TRADE FOR LDC'S AND
 LAMENTED THE APPARENT DECLINE IN LEVELS OF ASSISTANCE
 FOR DEVELOPMENT. ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL, DRISS
 EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT AT RESULTS OF RECENT CRA
 MEETING, WARNED AGAINST DRAWING CONCLUSIONS ON
 BASIS OF LIMITED DATA AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT
 ECOSOC COULD ADVANCE TOWARD SOLID REPORT TO THE GA.
- 11. UGANDA'S REPLY TO THE UK STATEMENT OF JULY 6 WILL BE REPORTED SEPARATELY.
- 12. SANTA CRUZ INTERVENED BRIEFLY TO LAMENT THAT GENERAL DEBATE TO DATE HAD BEEN MORE OF A MONOLOG. HE SUGGESTED THAT SINCE SLMOST ALL DELS HAD MENTIONED THEME OF ECOSOC REFORM AND REVITALIZATION IN THEIR STATEMENTS AND SINCE THIS ISSUE WOULD NOT BE TAKEN UP IN ANY COMMITTEE THAT THE PLENARY ENGAGE IN A DEBATE ON THIS MATTER AT END OF PRESENTATION OF UNCLASSIFIED

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GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENTS. SANTA CRUZ EXPRESSED SPECIAL INTEREST IN HARING AMPLIFICATION OF AMB. SCALI'S "SURPRISING AND ORIGINAL" IDEAS ON THIS SUBJECT. AMB. FRAZAO AGREED WITH SANTA CRUZ AND DECIDED THAT SUCH A DEBATE WOULD TAKE PLACE. BASSIN

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